

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1554
ANSWERED ON:29.11.2000
AMENDMENT IN PASSPORT ACT
LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government contemplate to amend the Indian Passport Act;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the time by which the amended Act is likely to come into force ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

- a) & b) Yes, Sir. A need has been felt to amend the Passport Act, 1967 to safeguard our national interests.
- (c) It is not possible to give a definitive time-frame as the matter is under detailed examination of the Government.